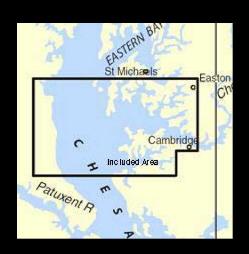
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Chesapeake Bay - Choptank River and Herring Bay

(NOAA Chart 12266)



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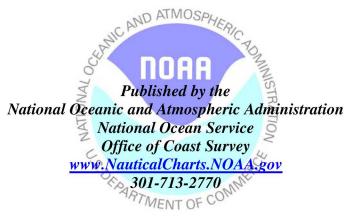
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What are Nautical Charts?

Nautical charts are a fundamental tool of marine navigation. They show water depths, obstructions, buoys, other aids to navigation, and much more. The information is shown in a way that promotes safe and efficient navigation. Chart carriage is mandatory on the commercial ships that carry America's commerce. They are also used on every Navy and Coast Guard ship, fishing and passenger vessels, and are widely carried by recreational boaters.

What is a BookletChart[™]?

This BookletChart is made to help recreational boaters locate themselves on the water. It has been reduced in scale for convenience, but otherwise contains all the information of the full-scale nautical chart. The bar scales have also been reduced, and are accurate when used to measure distances in this BookletChart. See the Note at the bottom of page 5 for the reduction in scale applied to this chart.

Whenever possible, use the official, full scale NOAA nautical chart for navigation. Nautical chart sales agents are listed on the Internet at http://www.NauticalCharts.NOAA.gov.

This BookletChart does NOT fulfill chart carriage requirements for regulated commercial vessels under Titles 33 and 44 of the Code of Federal Regulations.

Notice to Mariners Correction Status

This BookletChart has been updated for chart corrections published in the U.S. Coast Guard Local Notice to Mariners, the National Geospatial Intelligence Agency Weekly Notice to Mariners, and, where applicable, the Canadian Coast Guard Notice to Mariners. Additional chart corrections have been made by NOAA in advance of their publication in a Notice to Mariners. The last Notices to Mariners applied to this chart are listed in the Note at the bottom of page 7. Coast Pilot excerpts are not being corrected.



[Coast Pilot, Chapter 13 excerpts]

- (62) **Plum Point Creek**; depths of 4½ feet were in the entrance and basin. A marina on the north has berths, gasoline, supplies, and a sewage pump-out station.
- (65) **Fishing Creek** is entered by a channel from the bay through jetties to an anchorage basin The channel is marked by a lighted range and other aids; the depth in the channel was 2½ feet (3½ feet at midchannel); depths of 2½ to 7 feet were in the basin.
- (66) Small-craft facilities at Chesapeake

Beach have gasoline, diesel fuel, water, berths, and marine supplies.

[Coast Pilot 3, Chapter 14 excerpts]

- (160) **Little Choptank River**. Although obstructed by shoals, the river has depths of 11 feet in a channel for 7 miles and the tributaries have depths of 5 feet.
- (161) The current velocity is about 0.3 knot.

- (162) Little Choptank River. Good anchorage in depths of 12 to 18 feet between James Island and **Hooper Point**.
- (163) **Slaughter Creek** has depths of 5 feet over the bar, thence 6 feet to the bridge at **Taylors Island**. The creek is marked by lights and daybeacons. A marina north of the bridge has gasoline, diesel fuel, supplies, and berths. **Taylors Island Coast Guard Station** is on a houseboat moored about 1.6 miles south of Hooper Point.
- (166) **Madison Bay** has depths of 1 to 9 feet. The entrance is marked by a light. A channel marked by daybeacons leads through the upper bay to a turning basin connected to an anchorage at **Madison**. In March 1992, the depths were 5 feet in the east half and 1½ feet in the west half of the channel; 5 feet in the basins; 2 feet in the channel south of the basins. Gasoline, diesel fuel, and supplies are at Madison.
- (172) The approach to Choptank River is from south through a buoyed channel 6 miles south of Sharps Island Light; the depth is 25 feet. The approach from north has a depth of 10 feet.
- (173) The Choptank River main channel has depths of 19 to 25 feet to Cambridge thence 5 feet to Denton and a centerline depth of 2 feet to the bridge at Greensboro. The channel is marked as far as Denton.
- (174) The current velocity is 0.7 knot off Cook Point. In Choptank and Tred Avon Rivers the current is less than 1.0 knot.
- (180) **Knapps Narrows**. In 1994, the midchannel depth was 6½ feet from the Choptank River to the highway bridge, thence 2½ feet (5½ feet at midchannel) to the Chesapeake Bay. The bridge over the narrows has a clearance of 12 feet. The bridgetender monitors VHF-FM channel 16 and works on channels 13 and 68; call sign KZA-868. The current at the bridge is 2 knots.
- (181) **Tilghman**. The bulkheaded sides of the turning basin on the south abutment of the bridge are for public use. In March 1981, depths of 4 to 7½ feet were in the basin, except for shoaling to 2 feet in the northeast. Full service marinas are on either side of the narrows.
- (182) **Harris Creek**. The channel has depths of 10 feet, and is marked as far as Cummings Creek. Above, the channel has depths of 6 feet to the forks; 5 feet in a channel marked by stakes for 1 mile up **Northeast Branch**; 2 feet for 1 mile to the head. **Northwest Branch** extends 2 miles from the forks, and has a depth of 2 feet.
- (185) **Broad Creek** has depths of 16 feet as far as **Edge Creek**. Above Edge Creek, the channel has depths of 9 feet for 3 miles, then shoals to 2 feet at the head.
- (188) **St. Michaels** can be reached from Choptank River by way of Broad Creek, thence southeastward in Edge Creek for 0.7 mile, thence northward in **San Domingo Creek**. San Domingo Creek has depths of 7 feet, and a depth of 4 feet to St. Michaels. Berthing, electricity, ice, gasoline, diesel fuel, marine supplies.
- (190) **Tred Avon River** has depths of 16 feet or more for 5 miles; 11 feet for 1 mile to **Peachblossom Creek;** 8 feet in the dredged channel to Easton Point. The channel is marked as far as Easton Point. Shoals extend off **Watermelon Point**.
- (193) **Oxford**. The facilities are along Town Creek; the marked entrance channel has a depth of about 4 feet. A public landing nearby has fuel. (194) **Town Creek**. A marked channel leads from the entrance to a turning basin at the head; the depths were 5 feet in the channel and 4½ feet in the turning basin.
- (199) **Lecompte Bay** has depths of 7 to 13 feet. A narrow channel marked at the entrance by daybeacons has a depth of about 4 feet. (202) A marked channel in Choptank River to a turning basin at **Cambridge Creek** had a depth of 23 feet; thence 21 feet throughout the turning basin to **Cambridge Marine Terminal**. The channel through Cambridge Creek had a depth of 12 feet to the highway bridge; 9½ feet to the head 0.7 mile above the entrance; depths of 8 to 10 feet in the anchorage basins on each side of the channel inside the entrance. (208) Fuel and supplies can be obtained at Cambridge. An unmarked channel with a centerline controlling depth of 8 feet leads from Choptank

River to the municipal basin just west of Cambridge Creek; the basin has depths of 4 to 7 feet. Gasoline, electricity, water, and ice are available.

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Corrected through NM Dec. 26/09 Corrected through LNM Dec. 29/09

HEIGHTS

Heights in feet above Mean High Water.

WARNING

The prudent mariner will not rely solely on any single aid to navigation, particularly on floating aids. See U.S. Coast Guard Light List and U.S. Coast Pilot for details.

CAUTION

Temporary changes or defects in aids to navigation are not indicated on this chart. See Local Notice to Mariners. During some winter months or when endan-gered by ice, certain aids to navigation are replaced by other types or removed. For details see U.S. Coast Guard Light List.

RADAR REFLECTORS

Radar reflectors have been placed on many floating aids to navigation. Individual radar reflector identification on these aids has been omitted from this chart.

SMALL CRAFT WARNINGS

During the boating season small-craft -warnings will be displayed from sunrise to sunset on Maryland Marine Police Cruisers while underway in Maryland waters of the Chesapeake Bay and tributaries.

PLANE COORDINATE GRID (based on NAD 1927)

The Maryland State Grid is indicated on this chart at 20,000 foot intervals thus: _ _ + _ The last three digits are omitted.

For Symbols and Abbreviations see Chart No. 1

CAUTION

Improved channels shown by broken lines are subject to shoaling, particularly at the edges.

AIDS TO NAVIGATION

Consult U.S. Coast Guard Light List for supplemental information concerning aids to navigation.

CAUTION

Limitations on the use of radio signals as Limitations on the use of radio signals as aids to marrine navigation can be found in the U.S. Coast Guard Light Lists and National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency Publication 117. Radio direction-finder bearings to commercial broadcasting stations are subject to error and should be used with caution.

Station positions are shown thus:

()(Accurate location) o(Approximate location)

CAUTION

Mariners are warned to stay clear of the protective riprap surrounding navigational light structures shown thus:

RACING BUOYS

Racing buoys within the limits of this chart are not shown hereon. Information may be obtained from the U.S. Coast Guard District Offices as racing and other private buoys are not all listed in the U.S. Coast Guard Light List.

HORIZONTAL DATUM

The horizontal reference datum of this chart In a notizontal reference datum of this chart is North American Datum of 1983 (NAD 83), which for charting purposes is considered equivalent to the World Geodetic System 1984 (WGS 84). Geographic positions referred to the North American Datum of 1927 must be corrected an average of 0.40° northward and 1.195° eastward to agree with this chart.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

Consult U.S. Coast Pilot 3 for important supplemental information.

Table of Selected Chart Notes

BASCULE BRIDGE CLEARANCES

For bascule bridges, whose spans do not open to a full upright or vertical position, unlimited vertical clearance is not available for the entire charted horizontal clearance.

NOAA WEATHER RADIO BROADCASTS

The NOAA Weather Radio stations listed The NOAA Weather Hadio stations listed below provide continuous weather broadcasts. The reception range is typically 20 to 40 nautical miles from the antenna site, but can be as much as 100 nautical miles for stations at high elevations.

Baltimore, MD KEC-83 Salisbury, MD KEC-92 Washington, DC KHB-36 162.475 MHz 162.550 MHz

POLLUTION REPORTS

POLLUTION REPORTS
Report all spills of oil and hazardous substances to the National Response Center via 1-800-424-8802 (toll free), or to the nearest U.S. Coast Guard facility if telephone communication is impossible (33 CFR 153).

AUTHORITIES

Hydrography and topography by the National Ocean Service, Coast Survey, with additional data from the Corps of Engineers, Geological Survey, and U.S. Coast Guard.

NOTE Z NO-DISCHARGE ZONE, 40 CFR 140

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Under the Clean Water Act, Section 312, all vessels operating within a No-Discharge Zone (NDZ) are completely prohibited from discharging any sewage, treated or untreated, into the waters. All vessels with an installed marine sanitation device (MSD) that are navigating, moored, anchored, or docked within a NDZ must have the MSD disabled to prevent the overboard discharge of sewage (treated or untreated) or install a holding tank. Regulations for the NDZ are contained in the U.S. Coast Pilot. Additional information concerning the regulations and requirements may be obtained from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) web site: http://www.epa.gov/owow/oceans/regulatory/vessel_sewage/.

NOTE A

Navigation regulations are published in Chapter 2, U.S.
Coast Pilot 3. Additions or revisions to Chapter 2 are published in the Notice to Mariners. Information concerning the
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5th Coast Guard District in Portsmouth, Virginia or at the
Office of the District Engineer, Corps of Engineers in
Baltimore, Maryland.

Refer to charted regulation section numbers.

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Mariners are warned that numerous uncharted duck blinds and fishing structures, some submerged, may exist in the fish trap areas. Such structures are not charted unless known to be permanent. Regulations to assure clear passage to and through dredged and natural channels and to established landings are prescribed by the Corps of Engineers in the Code of Federal Regulations. Definite limits of fish trap areas have been established in some areas, and those limits are shown thus:

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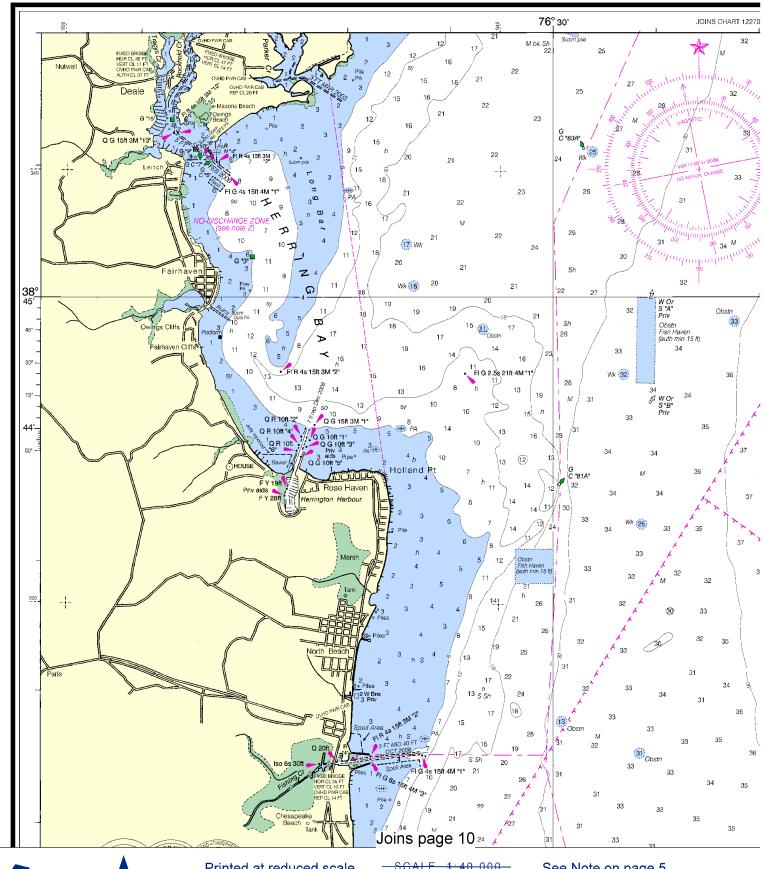
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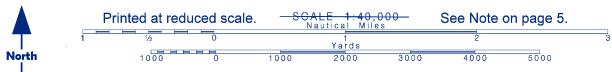
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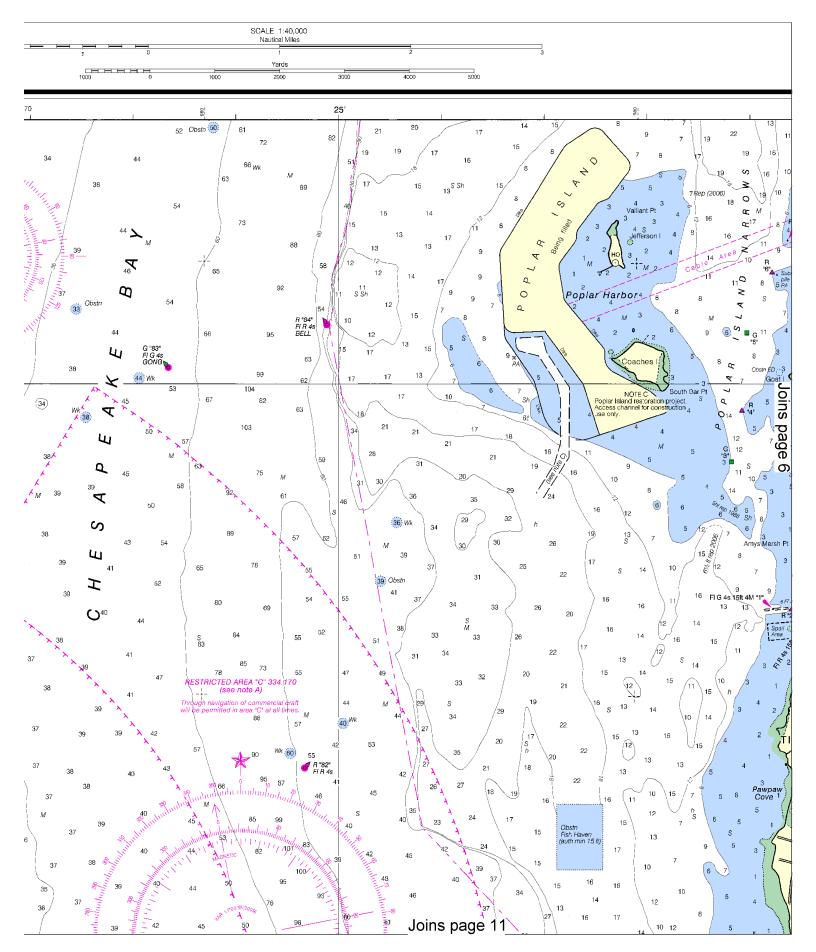
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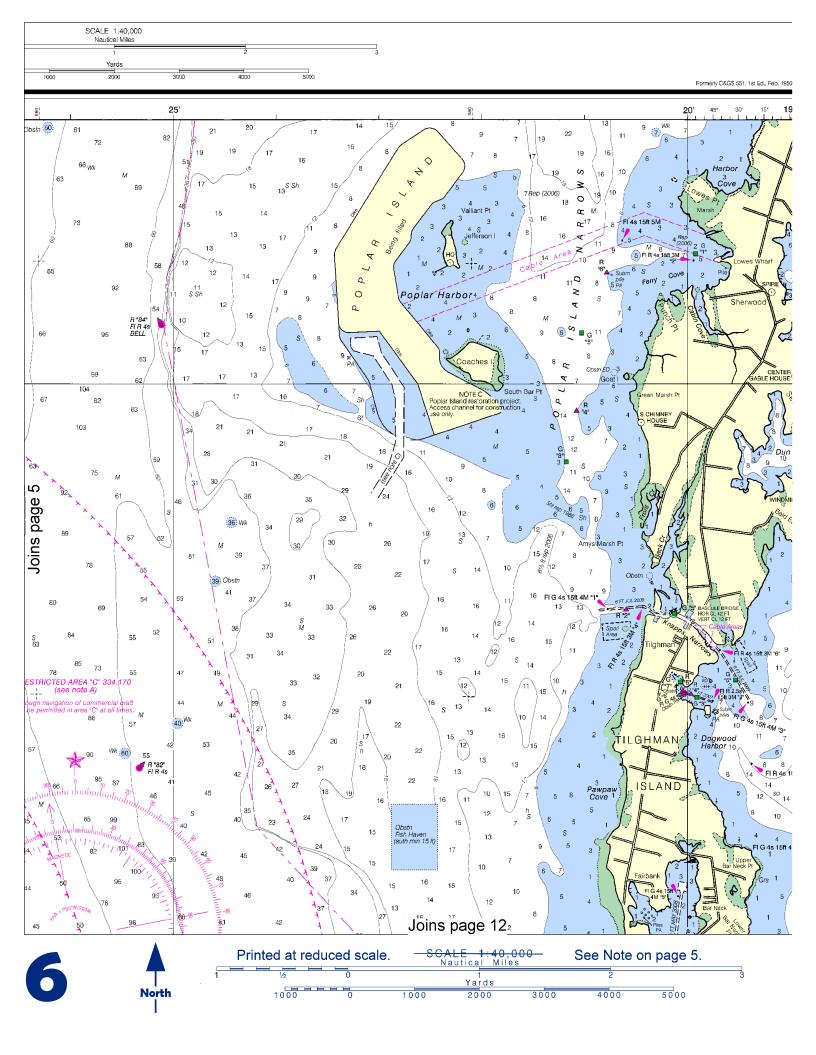


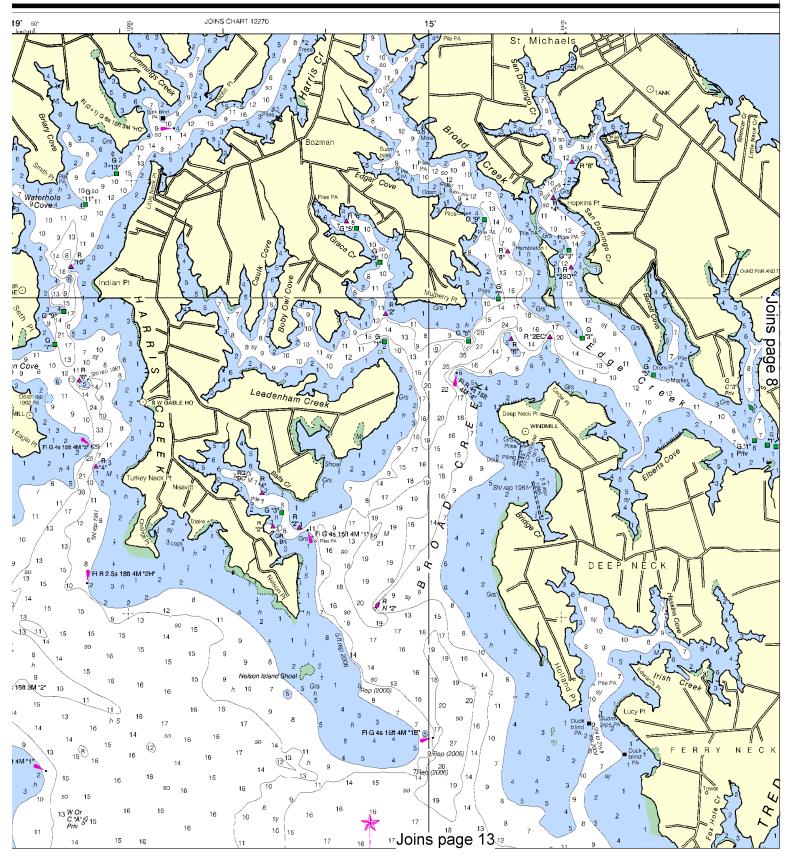




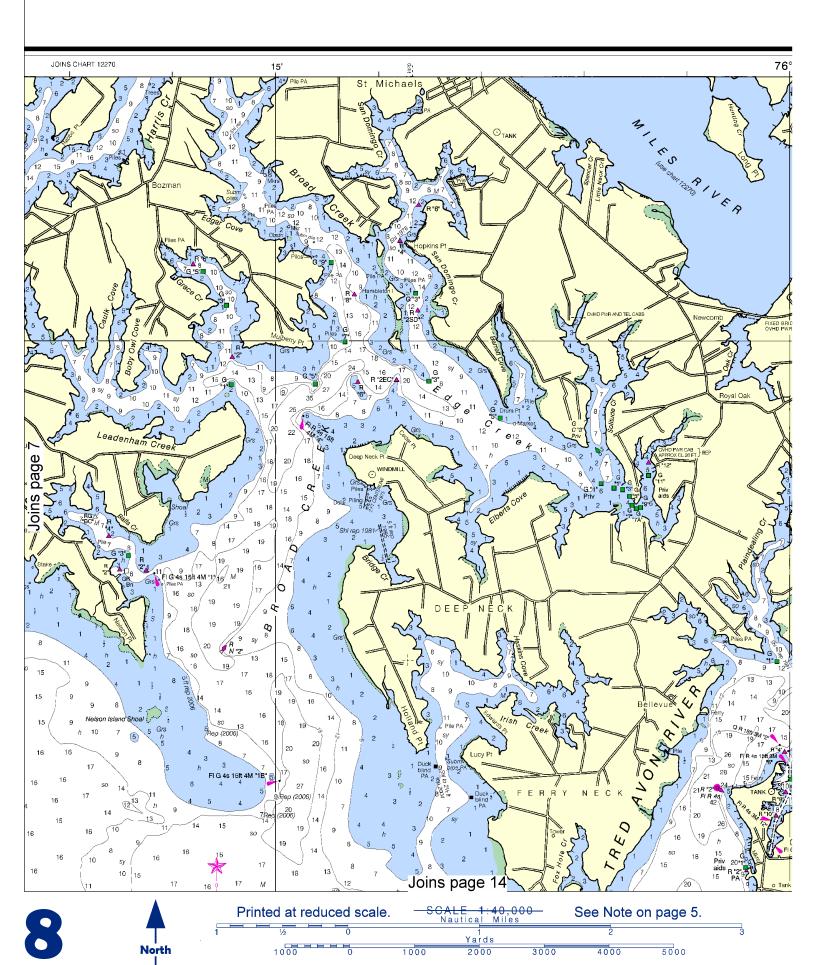


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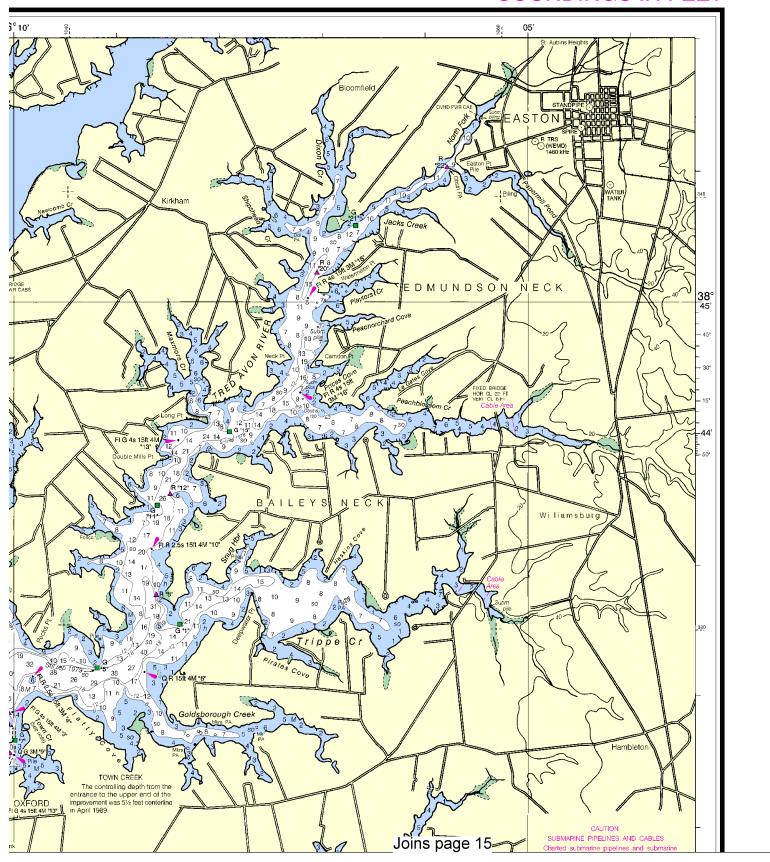


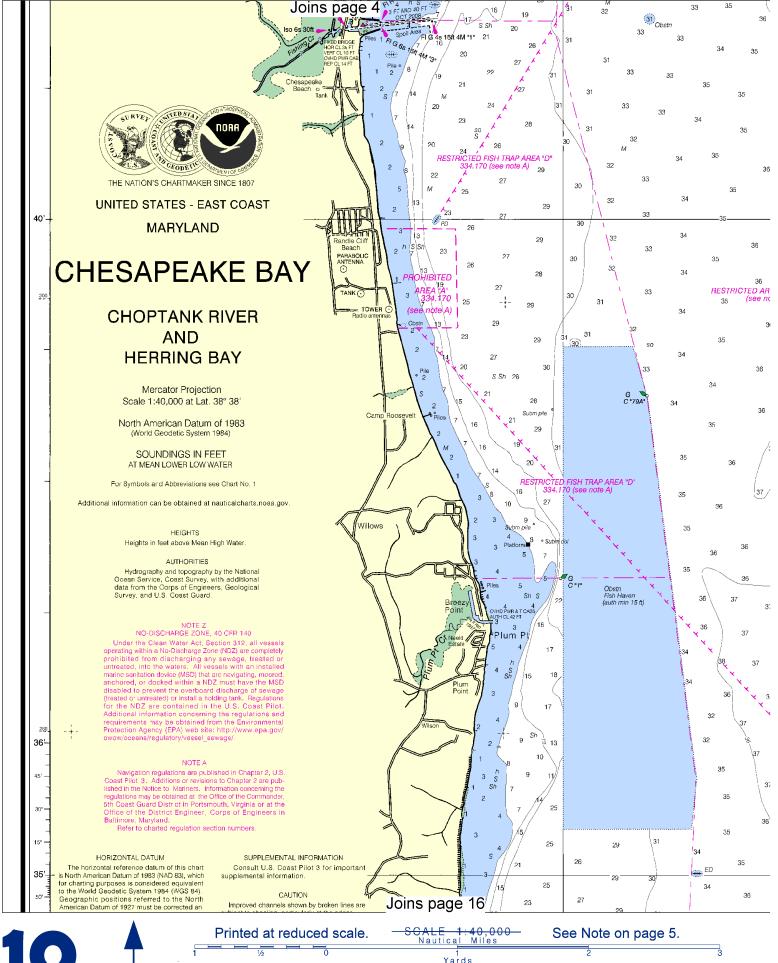


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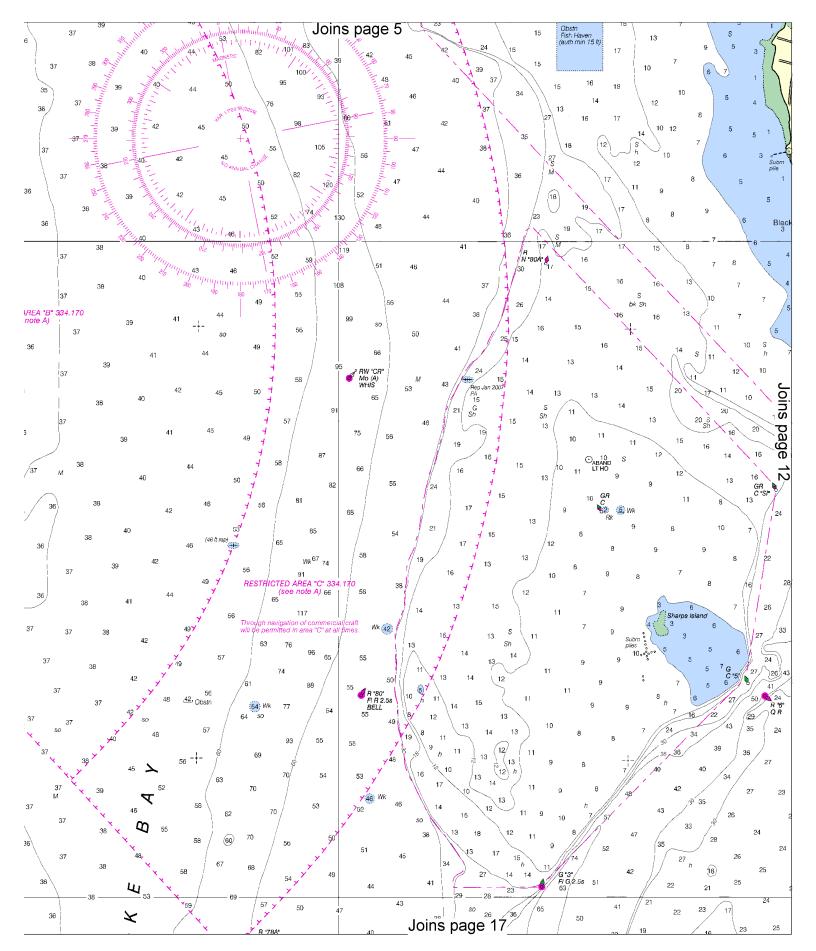
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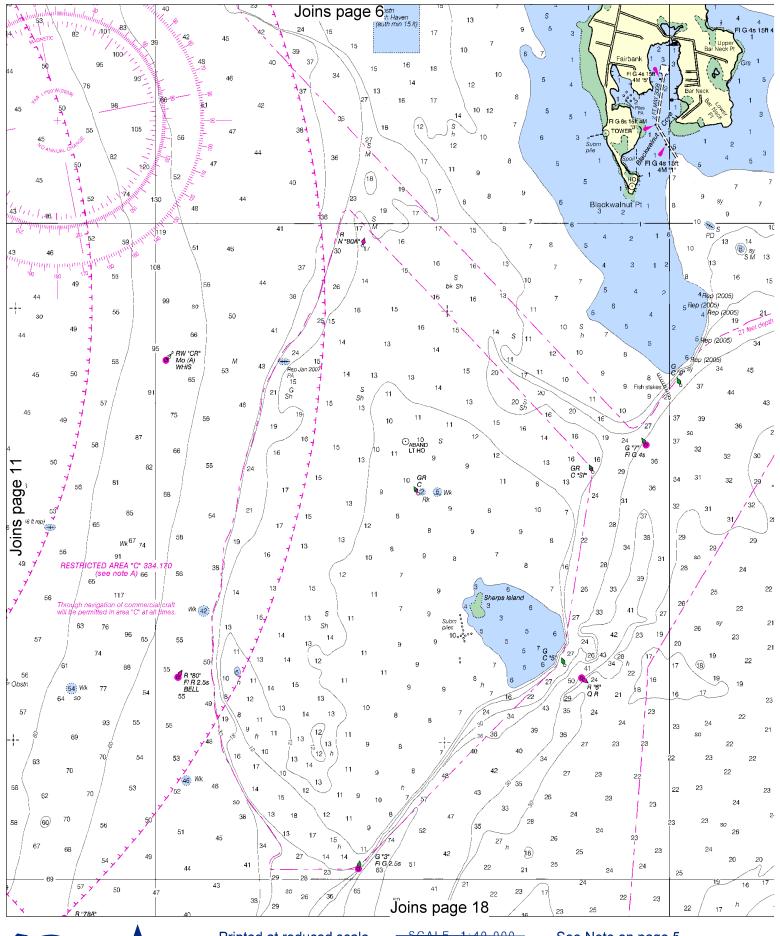






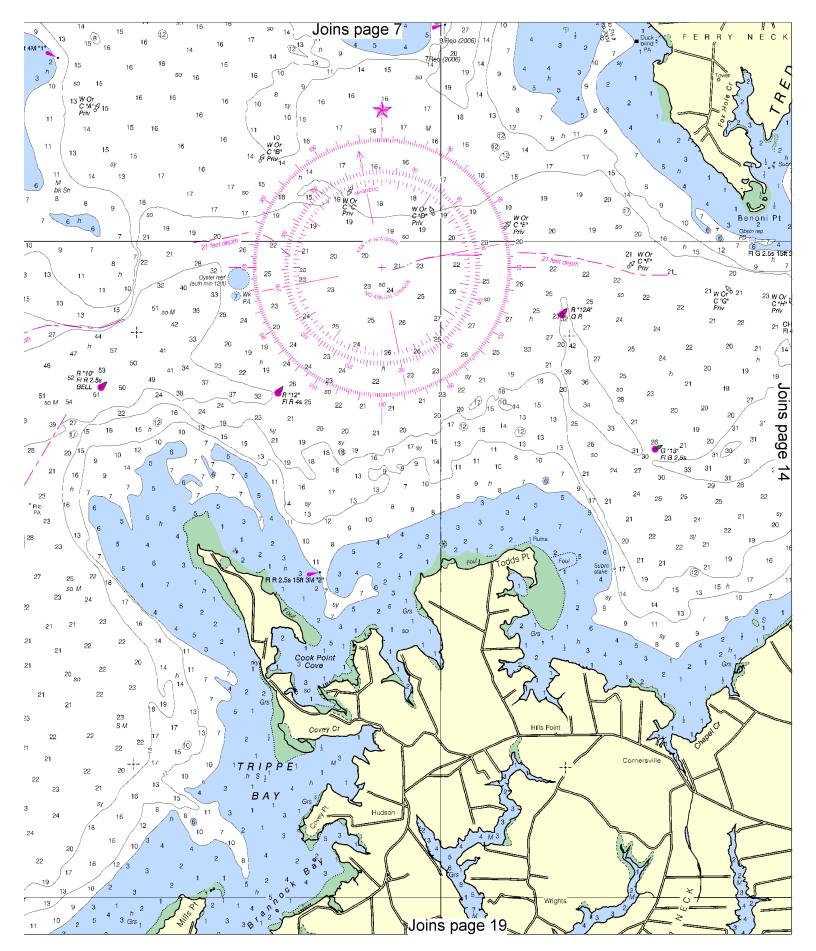


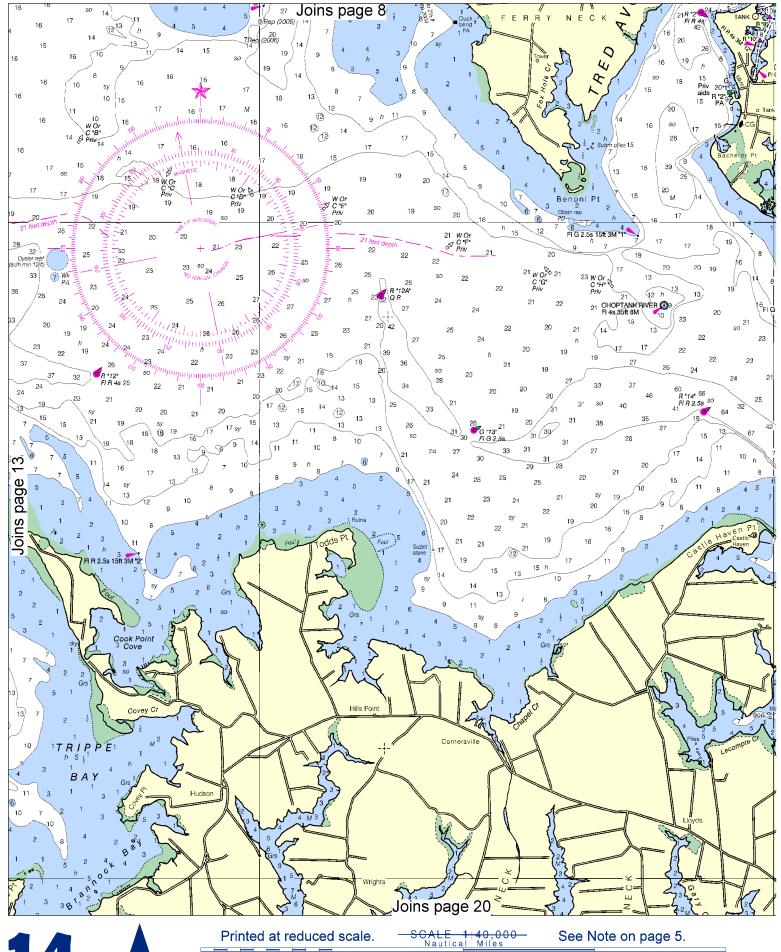






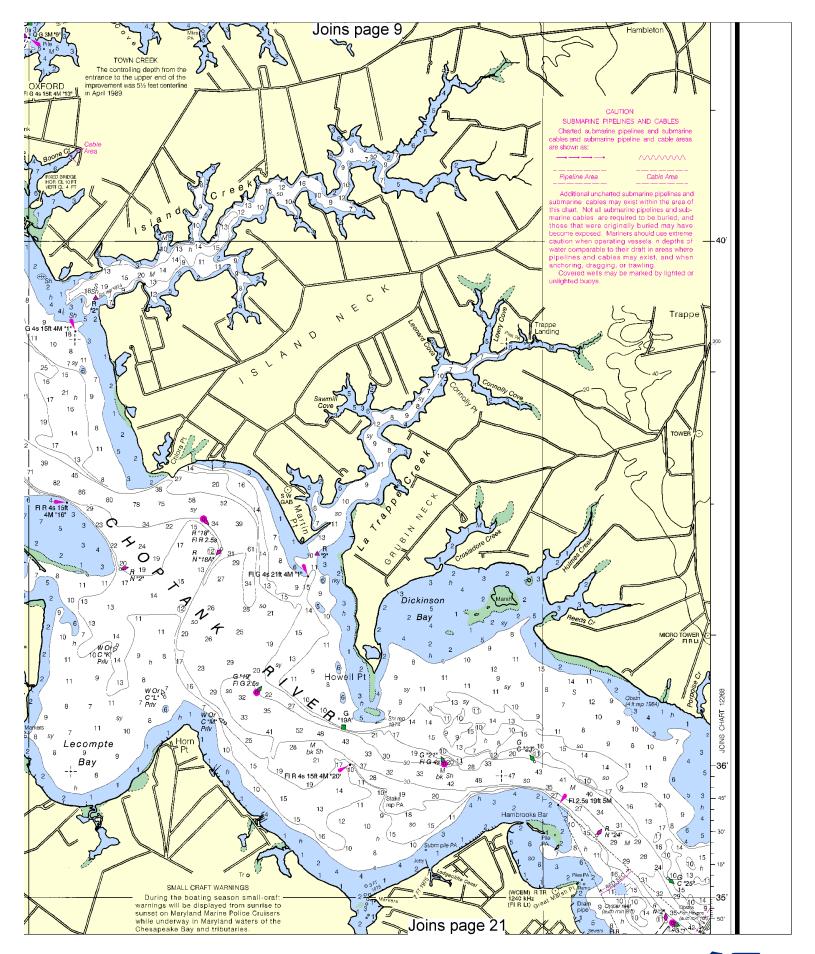


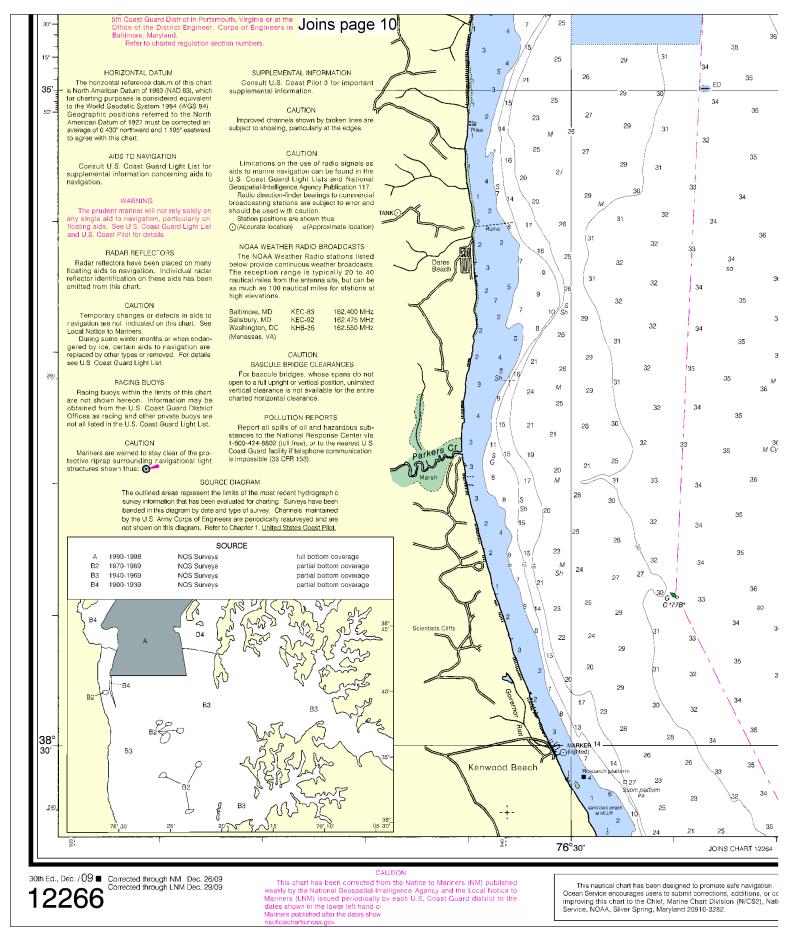


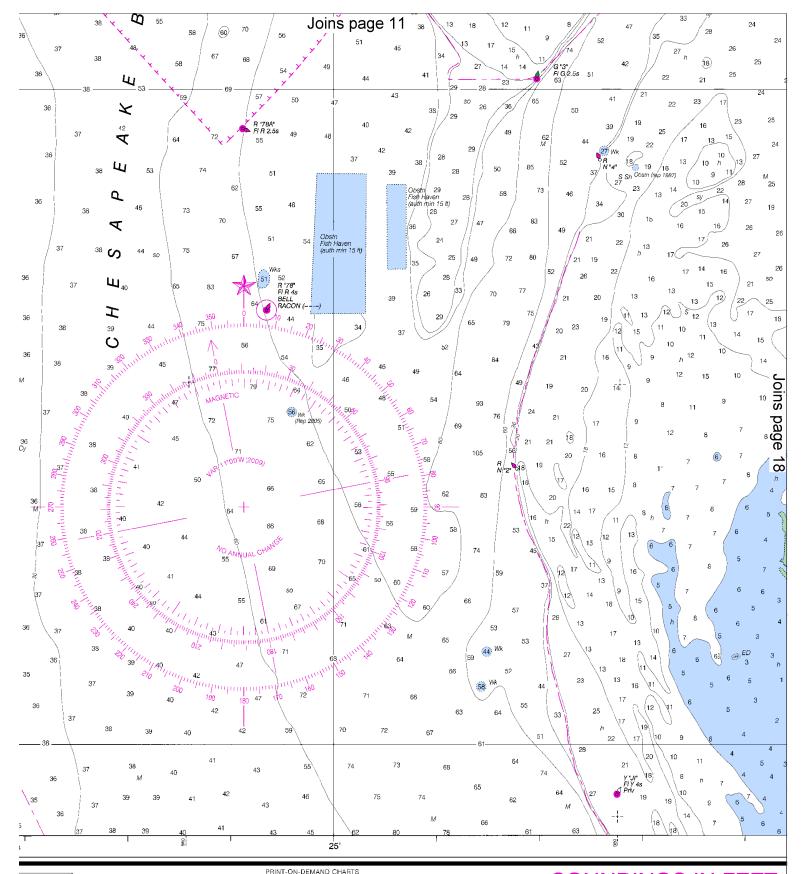










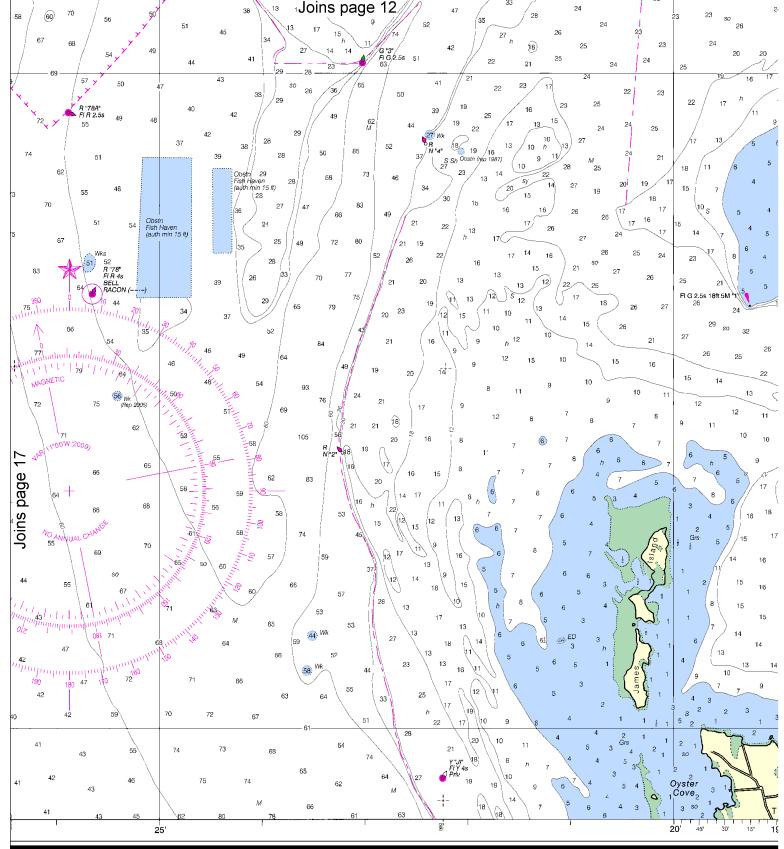


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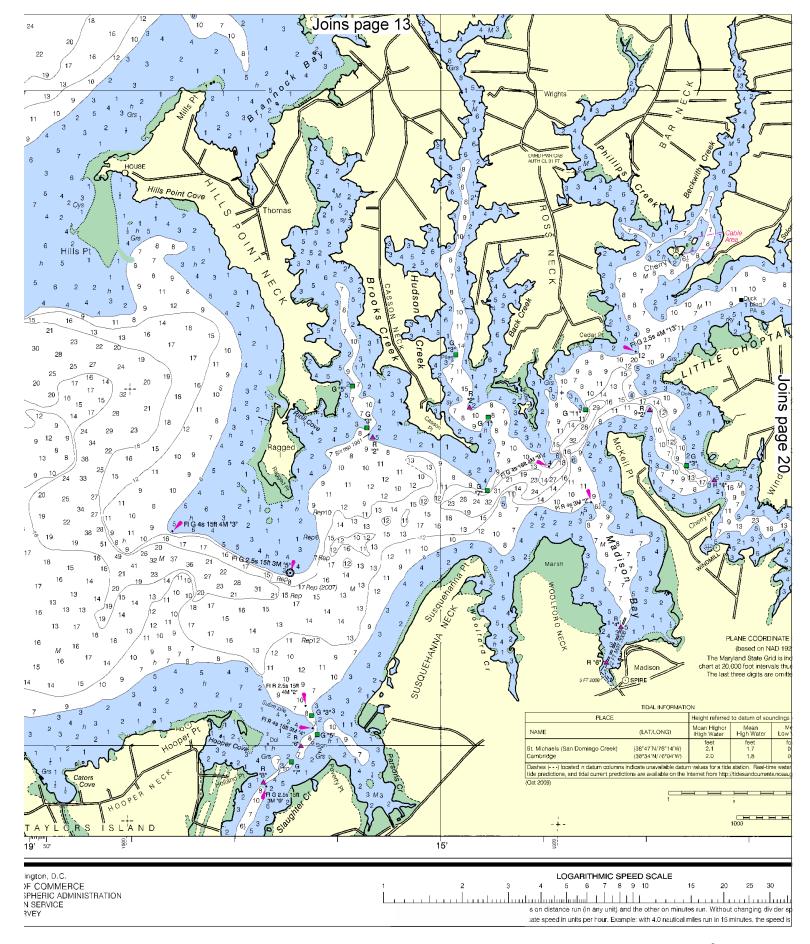
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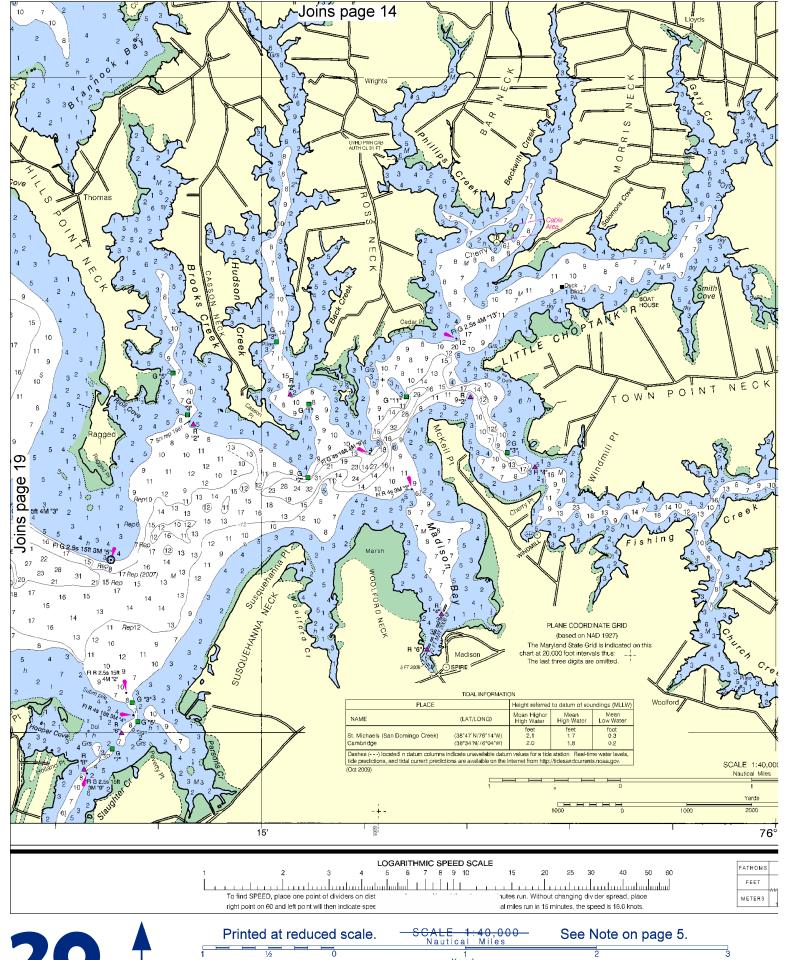
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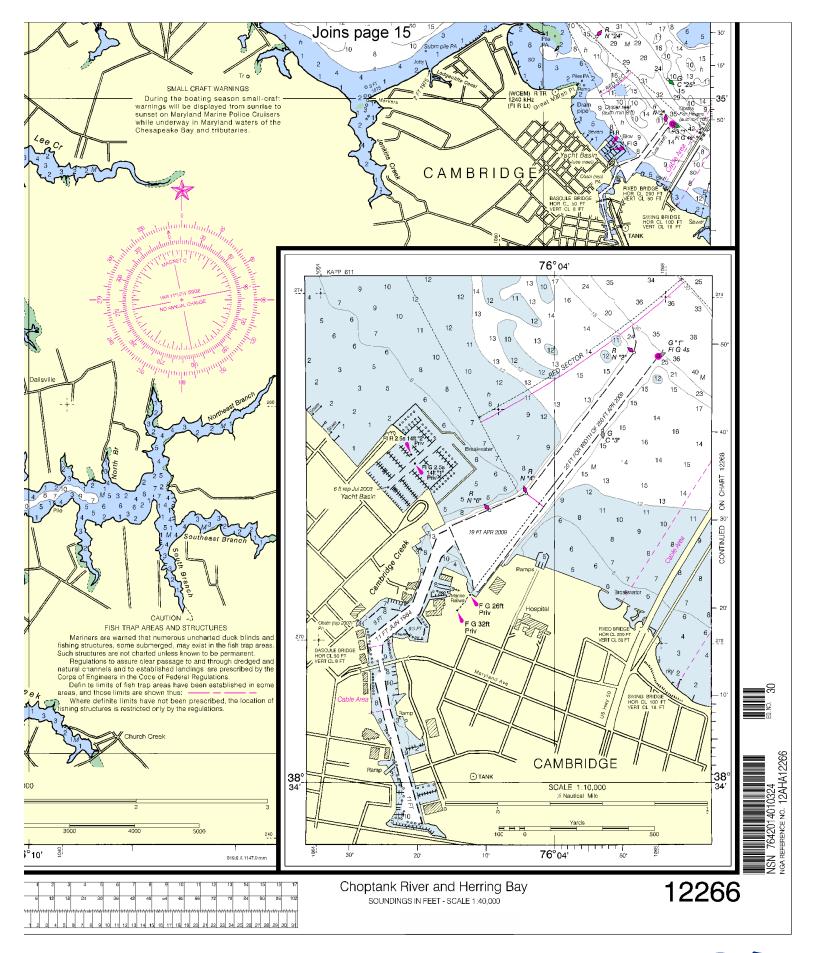












EMERGENCY INFORMATION

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Channel 9 – Communications between boats and ship-to-coast.

Channel 13 – Navigation purposes at bridges, locks, harbors.

Channel 16 - Emergency, distress and safety calls

to Coast Guard and others, and to initiate calls to other vessels. Contact the other vessel, agree to another channel, and then switch.

Channel 22 - Calls between the Coast Guard and the public. Severe weather warnings, hazards to navigation and safety warnings are broadcast here. Channels 68, 69, 71, 72 & 78 – Recreational boat channels.

Distress Call Procedures

- 1. Make sure radio is on.
- 2. Select Channel 16.
- 3. Press/Hold the transmit button.
- 4. Clearly say: "MAYDAY, MAYDAY, MAYDAY."
- 5. Also give: Vessel Name and/or Description; Position and/or Location; Nature of Emergency; Number of People on Board.
- Release transmit button.
- Wait for 10 seconds If no response Repeat MAYDAY Call.

HAVE ALL PERSONS PUT ON LIFE JACKETS !!

Mobile Phones – Call 911 for water rescue.

Coast Guard Search & Rescue – 800-418-7314/410-576-2525

> Coast Guard Annapolis – 410-267-8108 **Coast Guard Little Creek** – 757-464-9371/9372 **Coast Guard Oxford** - 410-397-3103 Maryland Natural Resources Police – 410-260-8888

NOAA Weather Radio – 162.400 MHz, 162.425 MHz, 162.450 MHz, 162.475 MHz, 162.500 MHz, 162.525 MHz, 162.550 MHz.

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